

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph 0007 as follows:

[0007] By eliminating the stub connections, the loop-through bus system improves the operating bandwidth. However, if a single connector 50 is used for each circuit card ~~60~~ 54, the number of pins on connector 50 is doubled in this type of system 50 versus a stubbed system 10 as illustrated in Fig. 1.